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In re:

Serial #: 10/075,068

For: Method and Apparatus for Cinching Cargo to a Vehicle Carrier

Filed: February 12, 2002

Inventor: John P. Stein

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Examiner: Elkins

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

The present application is the subject of a restriction requirement. The Examiner has required the applicant to elect from inventions corresponding to Group I (Fig. 3) and Group II (Fig. 4).

The applicant elects Group II corresponding to Fig. 4. All claims are readable thereon. This election is made without traverse. The applicant's representative respectfully requests the Examiner to examine this application based upon the above election. No charge should be associated with this election, since the time period for response expires today, Monday October 27, but, if required, should be charged to deposit account 17-0155.

Sincerely,



Al Watkins

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